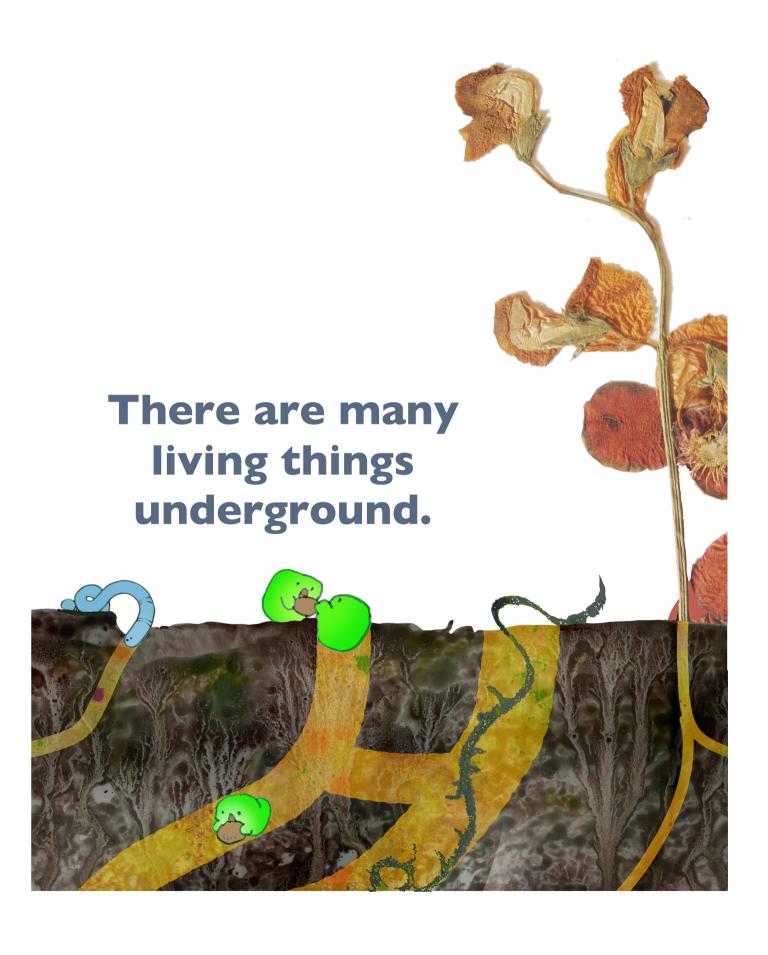
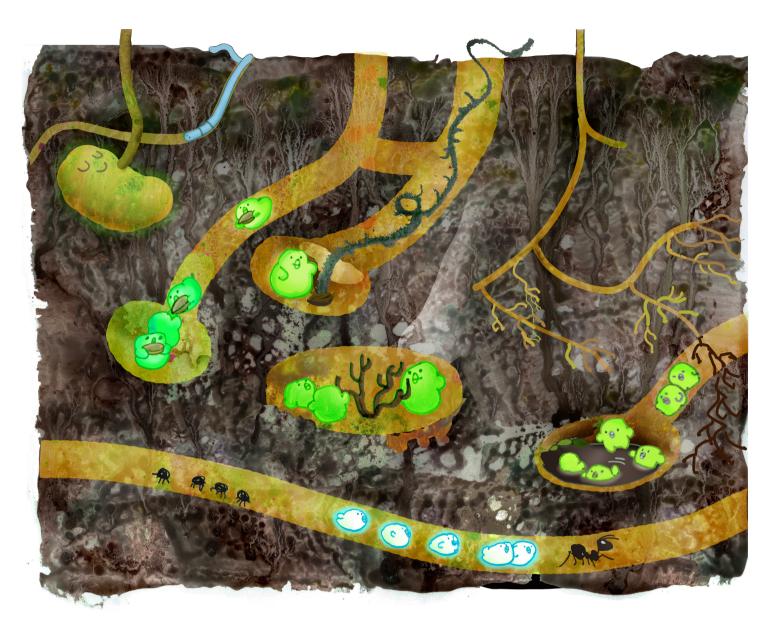


Bata underground

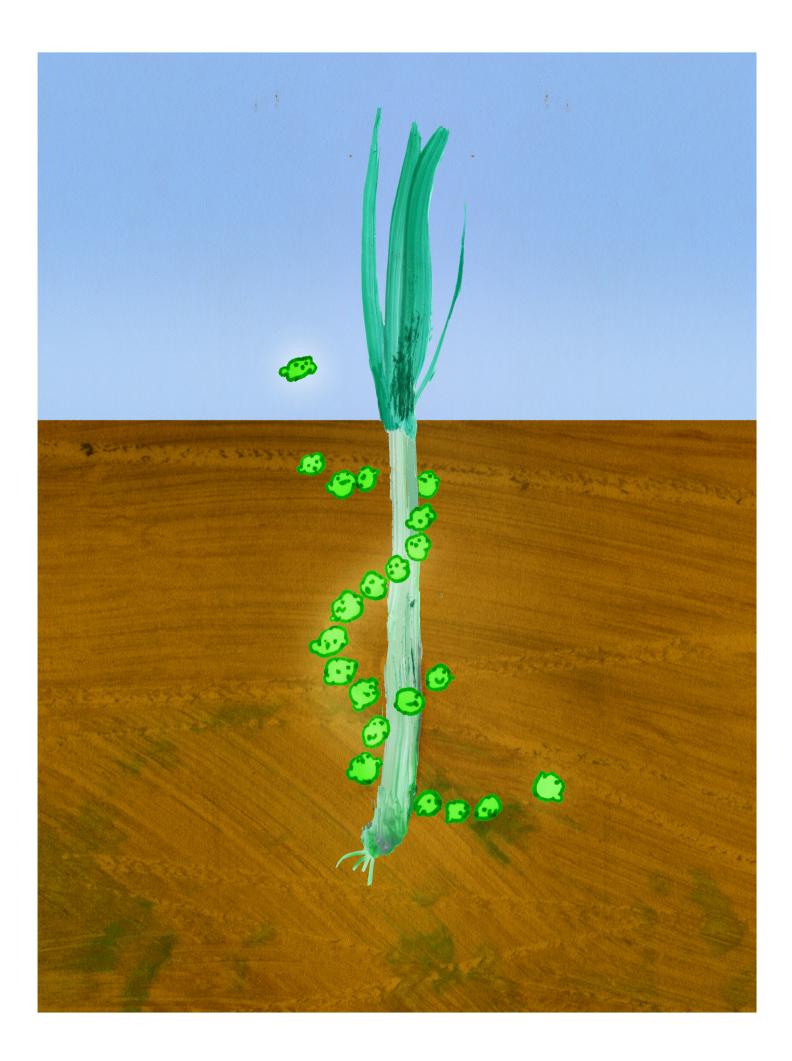


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Batas live underground, too! They look after seeds, and help things grow. They laugh and have fun.



These batas energize an onion.

These batas sing with a radish.



Some batas are made of stone.

Stone batas can be as small as pebbles ...



...or, as big as boulders!



Stone batas don't fly. They like to stay in one place. They are solid and very dependable.



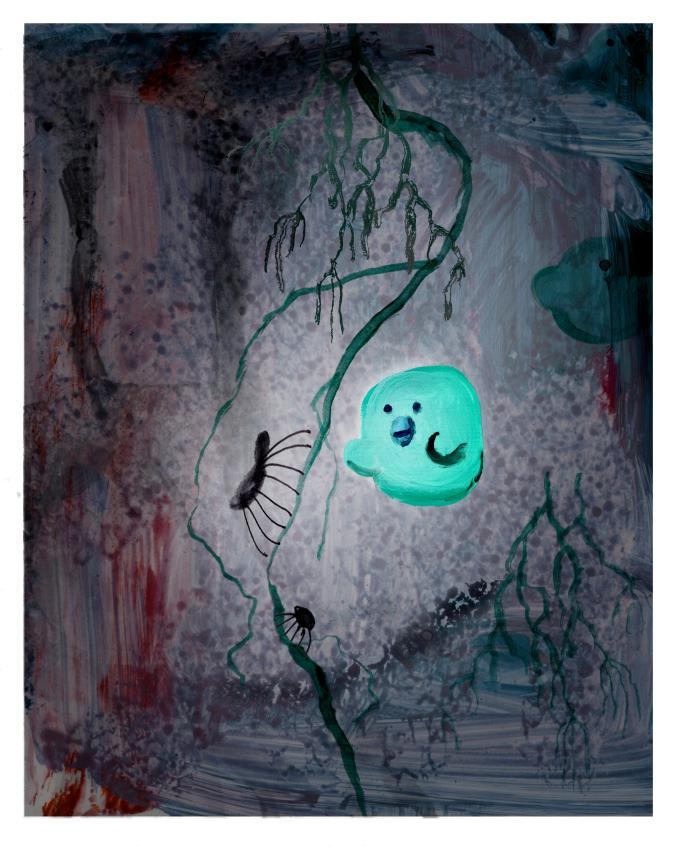


Batas watch over hibernating animals.



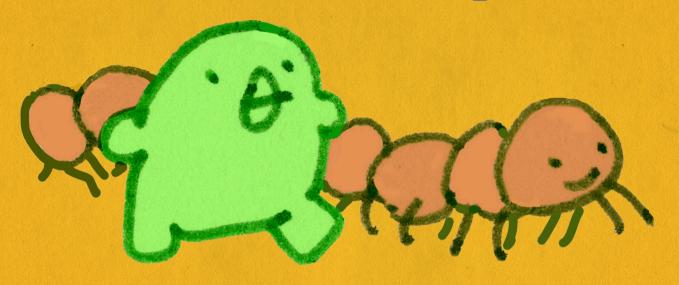
Batas like naps, too!





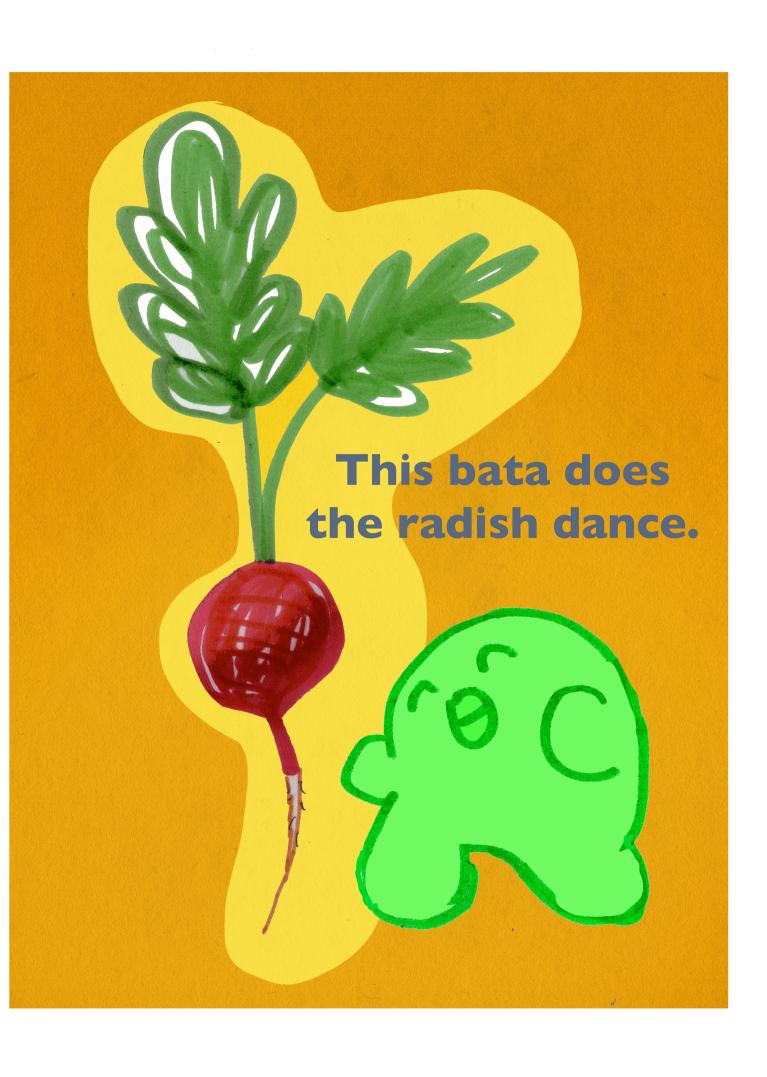
This bata visits a lonely spider.

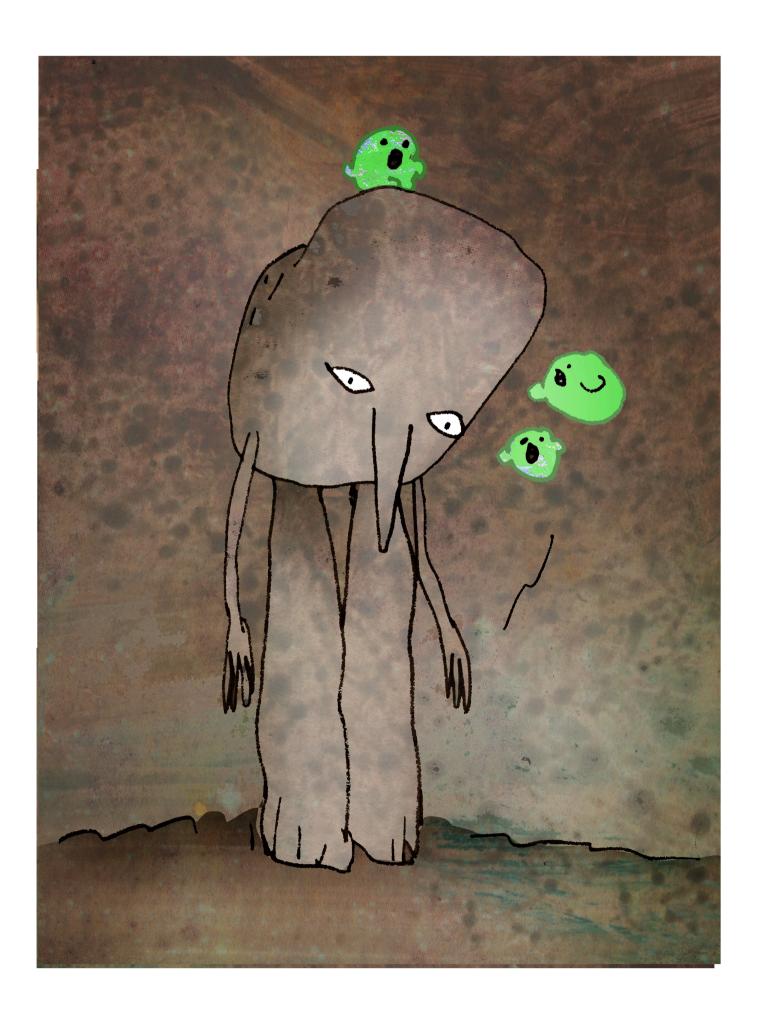
Underground batas are not afraid of bugs.



The ants come out to greet them.

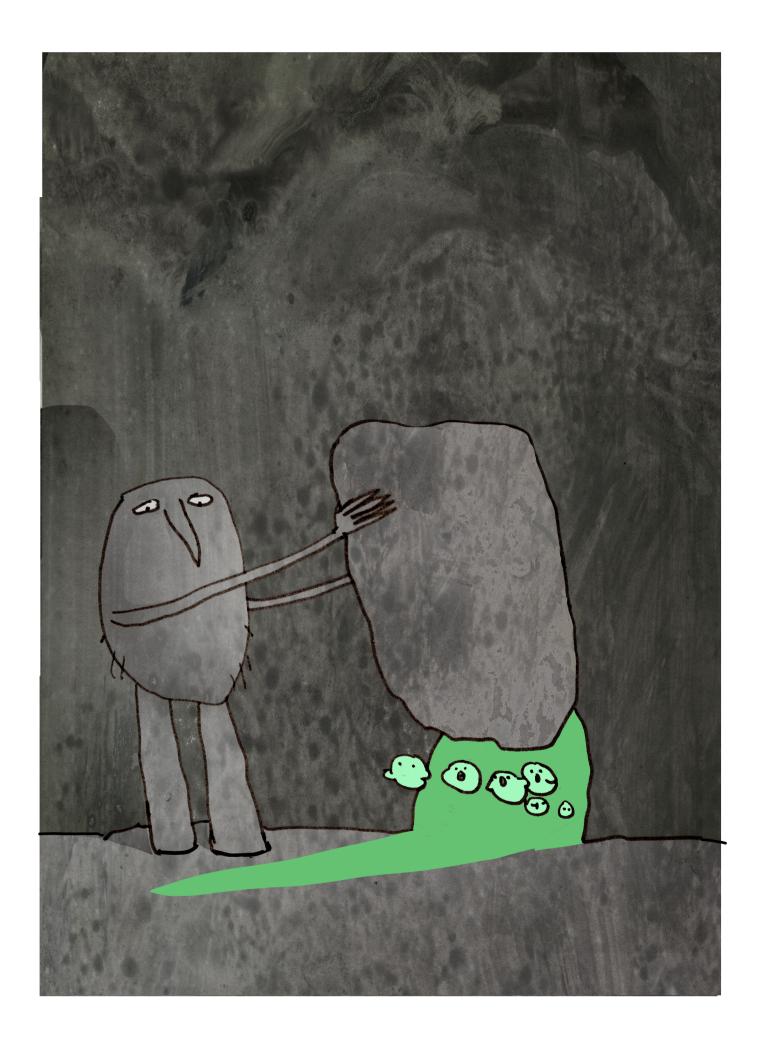




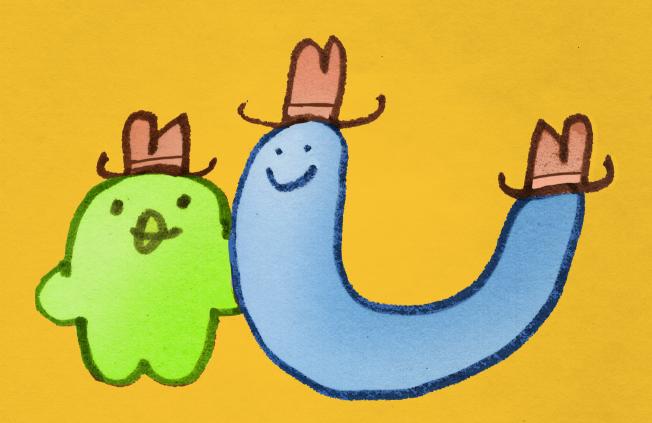


Underground batas are friends with cave trolls.

The cave trolls help batas navigate the underground tunnels.



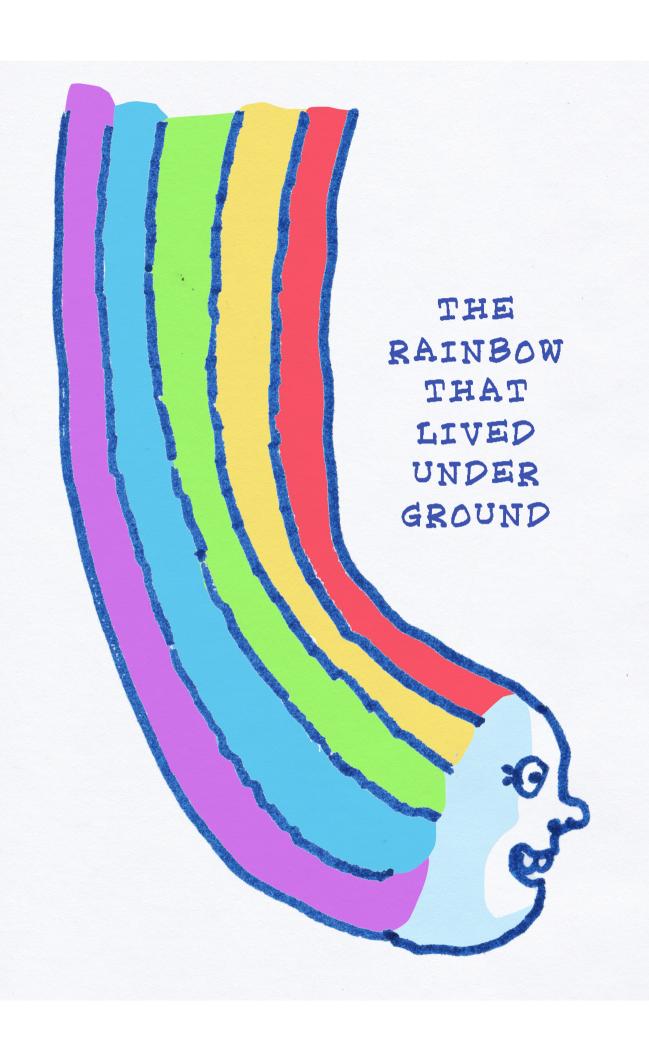
This worm wears a hat on both ends.





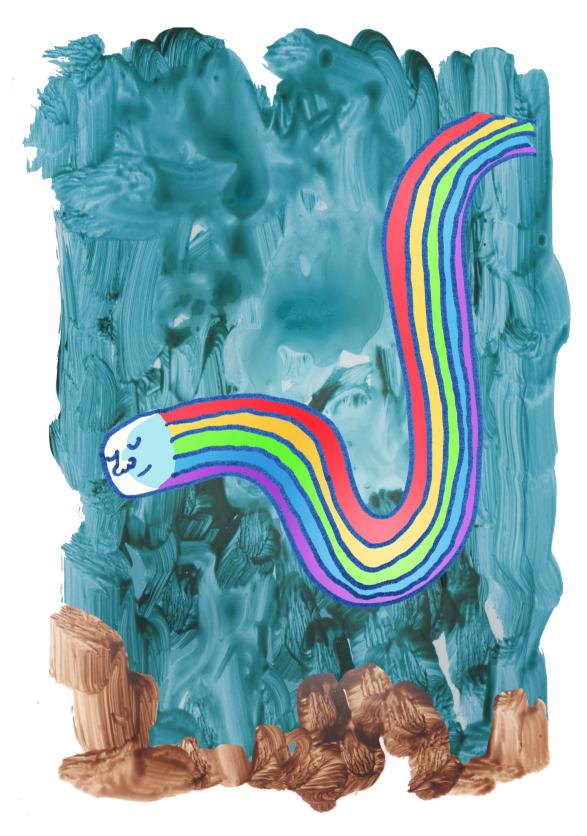
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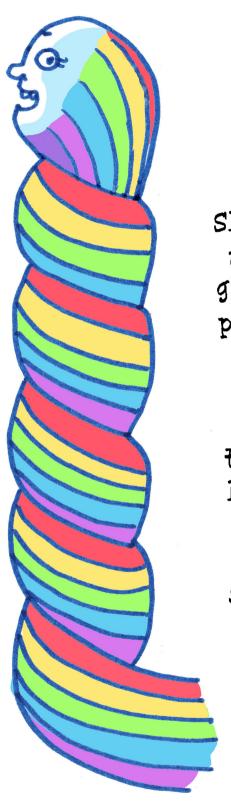




There once was a rainbow that lived under ground. She liked things cool, cozy, and quiet.

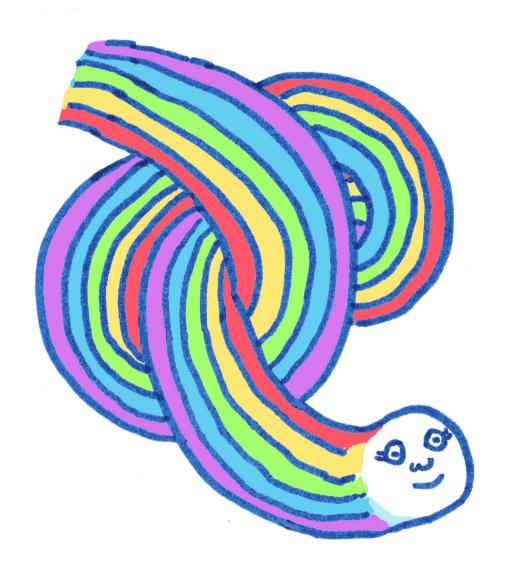


She swam in the underground lakes.

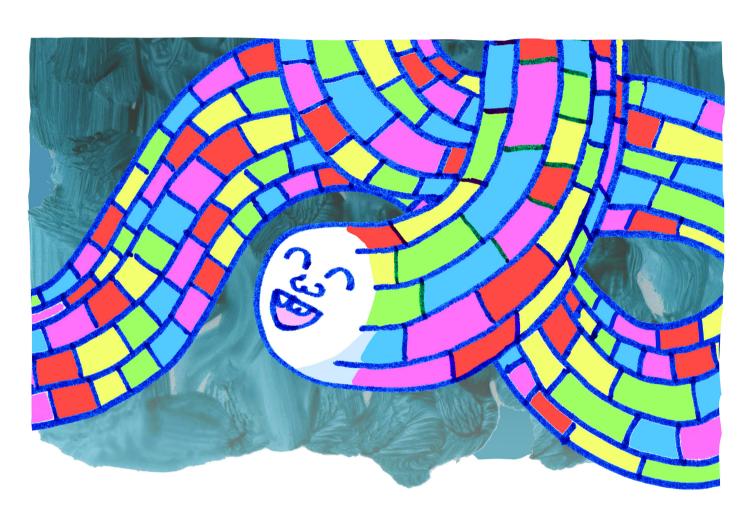


she made up silly games to pass the time.

She twisted herself into funny shapes.



She tied herself into knots.

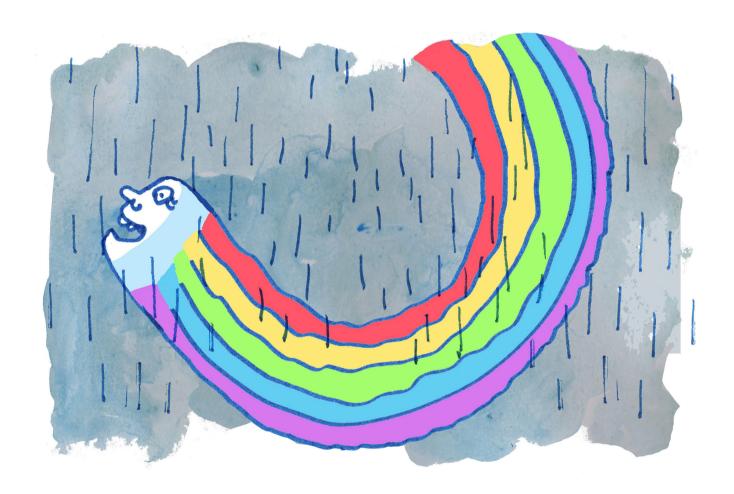


She mixed up her colors.

Every morning, the rainbow poked her head above the ground and sniffed -- hoping to smell an approaching rain.



When it did rain, the rainbow flew happily up to the sky.



The rainbow loved life under ground. But a rainbow loves rain more than anything.



When the rain was gone, the rainbow stayed up in the sky a while, to watch the wetness sparkle on the grass.

Then, it was back to the underground, for a cool, cozy, and very quiet, nap.



sniff

